

JENNIFER M. GRANHOLM GOVERNOR

STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE LANSING

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December 1, 2006



Reply to: MDA-ESD Farmland PO Box 30449 Lansing MI 48909

Mr. Greg Milliken McKenna and Associates 151 South Rose St. Kalamazoo MI 49007

Dear Mr. McKenna:

RE: Michigan Agricultural Preservation Fund Qualification

I have reviewed the Pine Grove Township Master Plan and Resolution. I find that all of the requirements set forth by the Agricultural Preservation Fund Board have been met in the documentation approved and submitted. Pine Grove Township is now qualified to participate in the Van Buren County PDR Program.

I want to personally thank you, the Pine Grove Township Board, and planning commission for your commitment to preserving farmland in Michigan. We look forward to working with Pine Grove Township through the Van Buren County PDR Program in the future.

Sincerely,

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Agricultural Preservation Fund Coordinator

Environmental Stewardship Division

517-241-5133

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Ryan Miller, Van Buren County

Paul Root, Supervisor, Pine Grove Township

| The foregoing resolution offered by the Board Member 5+0vl And supported by Board Member 70 PRT |
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| Upon roll call vote, the following voted "Aye" 4 |
| The Supervisor declared the resolution adopted. |

CERTIFICATE

I, Michelle Meert, the duly elected and acting Clerk of Pine Grove Township, Hereby certify that the forgoing resolution was adopted by the Township Board of said Township at the regular meeting of the said Board held on November 9th, 2006, at which meeting a quorum was present, by roll call vote of said members as hereinbefore set forth; that said resolution was ordered to take immediate effect.

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A Resolution Confirming Participation in the VAN BUREN COUNTY FARMLAND AND OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION PURCHASE OF DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS PROGRAM FOR PINE GROVE TOWNSHIP, VAN BUREN COUNTY, MICHIGAN

- WHEREAS, preserving farmland and open space is important to Pine Grove Township for generating economic revenue, providing locally grown food, providing environmental significant wildlife habitat, and is essential to maintaining the rural character of Pine Grove Township, and
- WHEREAS, the protection and preservation of farmland and open space is a significant policy adopted by the Township Planning Commission as documented in the Township Master Land Use Plan, and
- WHEREAS, The Van Buren County Board of Commissioners has adopted an ordinance establishing a countywide Farmland and Open Space Preservation Purchase of Development Rights Program in which Pine Grove Township can participate to implement the farmland and open space preservation goals established by the Township Planning Commission and Township Board, and
- WHEREAS, to be a recognized participant in the Van Buren County program by the Michigan Department of Agriculture, Pine Grove Township must pass a resolution confirming its participation in the Van Buren County Program.
- NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, The Pine Grove Township Board hereby declares its intent to participate in the Van Buren County Farmland and Open Space Preservation Purchase of Development Rights Program and hereby directs the Township Clerk to file a certified copy of this resolution with the Van Buren County Clerk and the Director of the Van Buren County Planning Commission.

ADOPTION

This Ordinance was approved and adopted by the Pine Grove Township Board, Van Buren County, Michigan on the 9th day of November 2006, by a vote of 4 yes, 0 no, 0 abstain, and 1 absent.